apparently let the gat among the pi talking the other prepared i ' for greater autonomy for Jammu and Kashmir; if so, what actually he means by regional nomy;

(b) whether it is also a fael re is a speculation aboi intends to concede Farooq Abdullah' for a pre ind whether Govern-ment coicedc or deny this with co-gent ex-planation ;

(c) whether it is a fact that an;' talk on autonomy can only be held between the elected representatives of the State and the Union, if so, wether Government would consider the above nienti' "^ent of tl Minister as uncalled for; and

(d) if so, what are the details thereof ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE PRIME MINISTER'S OFFICE (SHRI BHUVNESH CHATURVEDI) : *'") to* (d) Government h[n]s c I i's willingness for dialogue and discussions with any group or persons willinj " towards creating conditiors conducive to normalcy and peace and restoration democratic process in Jammu ant In this context, Governm efully watching the devel *e at the level and various ideas and ' are being expressed. It would, however, be premature to say anything more in his respect at this stage.

Hurriyat's Terms for Taking part in Jammu Polls

2590. SHRI VIRENDRA KATARIA : Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government's attention ha's been drawn to the newsrjtem appearing in the 'Pioneer' dated 18th October, ^994 under the caption "Hurriyat's terms for taking part in Poll";

(b) if so, what are the details of terms announced in the All Parries Hurri. yat Conference for participating in the election proposed to be held in Jammu and Kashmir;

(c) what is the reaction of Government of India in regard thereto; and

fd) what is the number of Hurriyat lead-i have since been .released and the extent to which Kashmir problem has been 1 as a result of the release of those ITS ?

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTER'S OFFICE (SHRI BHUVNESH CHATURVEDI) : (a) y[es] Sir

ad (c) Under the Constitution and the Law, there are well established proced-ures and regulations for the conduct of ele in J & K, under the supervision of the Election Commission. In these circum-Government does not visualise any for any external agency as mentioned e eport.

(d)Some of the prominent persons releas-n recent months include S/Shri S A S ' C Lone, Yasin Malik and Shabir Shah. Together with various other meas ures taken by the Government, such releases have had a positive impact on the situa-the State.

Financial Assistance to Jammu and Kashmir

SHRI VIRENDRA KATARIA • Will tie PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government have decided to provide finance to Jammu and Kashmir to tide over the cash crunch;

(b) if so, the details thereof alongwith the defeuls of prospects for advancing the grants;

(c) whether Government are aware that a large sum of money earmarked for develop ment purposes such as maintenance of roa-ds drinking water facilities, was not spent on those works during the last three years and if so, whether Government propose to con duct an enquiry into the matter to ascertain the factual position in this regard and if not, the reasons therefor; and

(d) whether any machinery has been **set** up to monitor the Utilization of funds allocated for that State and if not, the reasons therefor ?